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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application and recited enclosures are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Missing Parts, Washington, DC 20231 on (date) April 3, 2000.

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Applicants received a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated January 7, 1999, indicating that the oath or declaration is missing. Applicants enclose herewith a fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney document. All required parts of the subject application have now been submitted in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §111(a).

Also enclosed herewith is a fully executed Assignment accompanied by two copies of Recordation Form Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595).

This response is made within the first month after the due date of March 7, 2000. Petition is hereby made for extension of time of one month within which to file this response.

Please charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 19-1025, in the name of G. D. Searle:

- (1) \$130.00 or the sum required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) as the surcharge for filing the oath or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application;

(2) \$110.00 or the sum required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1) as the extension fee for filing within the first month after the due date for the present response.

Respectfully submitted,



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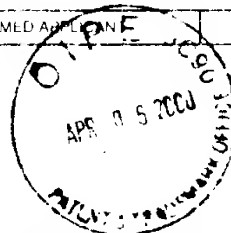
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Enclosures

Declaration and Power of Attorney
Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application
Form PTO-1595 (2 copies)
Assignment



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION **Filing Date Granted**

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE** within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the **SURCHARGE** set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a small entity (statement filed) ☐ non-small entity is \$

- The statutory basic filing fee is:
 - ☐ missing.
 - ☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$_____ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The following additional claims fees are due:
 - \$_____ for _____ total claims over 20.
 - \$_____ for _____ independent claims over 3.
 - \$_____ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.
- The oath or declaration:
 - ☐ is missing or unsigned.
 - ☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.
- The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).
- Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.
- The application was filed in a language other than English.
Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- OTHER:

Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing Parts."

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